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**TO: LME Directors**  
**FROM: Leza Wainwright**   
**RE: Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Related  
Admissions in Community Emergency Departments, QTR 1, SFY 2008-09**

Enclosed please find the fifth quarterly report of the *Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Related Admissions in Community Emergency Departments, QTR 1, SFY 2008-09*. This report covers information on Emergency Department admissions among mental health, developmental disability and substance abuse consumers for the first quarter of the state fiscal year, 2008-09.

The data presented in this report has been collected through the North Carolina Disease Event Tracking and Epidemiologic Collection Tool (NC DETECT). The system was created by the [North Carolina Division of Public Health \(NC DPH\)](#) in 2004 to address the need for early detection and timely public health surveillance in North Carolina using a variety of secondary data sources. As of October 16, 2008, there are 110/112 (98%) hospitals submitting production-level data on a daily basis to NC DETECT.

If you have any questions on the data presented in this report, please send them via electronic mail to [ContactDMHQuality@ncmail.net](mailto:ContactDMHQuality@ncmail.net)

Enclosure (1)

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